the State Governments for fores protection including procurement of wireless sets and othe equipments under the 'Forest Fire Contro and Managment' Scheme during 1998-1999. 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 and under the scheme 'Bridging of Infrastructure Gap in the Forestry Sector in the North Eastern States and Sikkim' to the States of Assam and Tripura during 2000-2001.

(b) A total amount of around Rs. 397.00 lakhs was provided to the State Governments during 1998-1999, 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 for procurement of wireless sets and other equipments.

Mangrove Plantation to check Environment Damage

1081. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether central assistance has been provided to Andhra Pradesh for mangrove plantations, to enrich existing mangrove areas and for Coastal Shelter belt plantations, in order to minimise environment damage and loss of life and property due to natural calamities;

(b) if so, the details thereof for the last three years, year-wise; and

(c) the result achieved therefrom?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) to (c) Under the scheme on Conservation and Management of Mangroves and Coral Reefs an amount of Rs. 117.05 lakhs was released for implementation of Management Action Plans on Mangrove areas in Coringa, Krishna and East Godavari in Andhra Pradesh. Similarly, an amount of Rs. 184.96 lakhs was released for Coastal Shelterbelt plantation in Srikakulam, Vijayanagram, Krishna, Guntur and Nellore districts during 2000-01 and 2001-02 so as to minimize evironment damage and loss of life and property due to natural calamities. The year-wise physical and financial targets and achievements under the respective programmes are given in the statement enclosed.

STATEMENT

Year-wise physical and financial targets and achievements related to the Scheme on Conservation and Management of mangroves and Coral Reefs and Coastal Shelterbelt Plantation during 2000-01 and 2001-02.

Mangroves:

MANGROVE AREA	Targets	1999-2000		2000-01		2001-02		Total	
		Tar.	Arc.	Tar.	Ach.	Tar	Ach.	Tar.	Ach.
Coringa Krishna East-Godavari	Physical (Ha)	Grants not released		400	400	350	303.70	750	703.70
	Financial (Rs. lakhs)	Grants not released		59.87	53.98	57.18	59.84	117.05	13.82

Coastal Shelterbelt Plantation:

DISTRICT	Targets	1999-2000		2000-01		2001-02		Total	
		Tar	Arc.	Tar.	Ach.	Tar	Ach.	Tar.	Ach.
Srikakulam, Vijayanagram Krishna, Guntur & Nellore	Physical (Ha)	Grants not released.		o	o	2050	1105	2050	1105
	Financial (Rs. lakhs)	Grants not released	79.78	79.76	105.18	99.33	184.96		179.09

Death of tigers/Lions due to trypanosomiasis

1082. SHRI RAMACHANRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the parasitic disease, Trypanosomiasis, among tigers and lions in various zoological parks/wild life sanctuaries across the country;

(b) if so, number of tigers/lions died due to this diseases during the last three years, year-wise and sanctuary-wise; and

(c) the fresh steps taken to check spread of this disease?